sisting of USA, UK, West Germany and Italy, had a programme which constitutes 17 demonstrations of engines to be carried out on the ground between the last quarter of 1986 to the last quarter of 1988 with flight specifications of A-320 and the first quarter of 1989 a total development programme of over three years... (Interruption) Let me answer.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: I wanted to know whether the engine had bursted or not.

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Sir, the engine was assembled on November 27, 1985...(Interruption). I am answering his question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Minister, you have not answered his question as to whether any of the engines had bursted.

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: While the various tests were going on, the engine encountered problems...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: He has got away with it.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Revision on the working of the Primary Health Centres in rural/tribal areas

*145. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have carried any review on the working of primary health centres in the country particulary in the tribal and rural areas;

(b) if so, what are its findings;

(c) whether Government have taken steps to revamp the working of these centres and made them more effective; and

(d) what is the total numebr of new centres likely to be opened in the various States having sizeable tribal population during the Seventh Five Year Plan period and whether their staffing pattern will also be suitably upgraded and better health-care amenities including medicines and equipment provided there?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a to (c) The working of the Primary Health Centre is constantly reviewed through periodical reports, field visits and studies.

Primary Health Centres have emerged as a strong focal point for the provisions of health and family welfare services to the people in the rural areas. The infrastructure set up has significantly contributed to the success of the Nation's Health and Family Welfare Programmes.

The major factors that have inhibited utilisation of health facilities at Primary Health Centres are: full complement of staff not in position; medicines not available in an adequate measure; lack of transportation; unsympathetic behaviour of health staff; low motivation; in several came beer distance etc.

Steps taken by the Government to make the Primary Health Centres an effective institution include reducing the population coverage by the PHC, increased alocation of funds for rural health in the 7th Plan, special dispensation for housing, house rent allowance and rural allowance by the Eighth Finance Commission to the States for doctors serving in the rural areas, training of medical and paramedical workers, etc.

(d) The number of Primary Health Centres proposed to be established in the States having sizeable tribal population is as follows:

Madhya Pradesh	731
Manipur	33
Meghalaya	15
Nagaland	12
Orissa	500
Sikkim	2
Tripura	15

The staffing pattern and health care amenities available from PHCs in tribal areas would be the same as from all other PHCs. However, the PHCs in tribal area would be covering only 20,000 population instead of 30,000 population covered by PHCs in non-tribal areas.

Drug formulation in the market

*147. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER:
SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the expert Committee which was appointed to review a large number of drug formulations in market and to suggest reduction in the number of unnecessary formulations has submitted its report; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) what follow-up action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) and (b) On the advice of the Drugs Technical Advisory Board the Government prohibited the manufacture and sale of 22 categories of drugs and drugs combinations in July, 1983.

Conversion of the Manmad-Parli line under the Employment Guarantee Scheme

*148. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have received any proposal from the Government of Maharashtra for undertaking the earthwork with regard to the conversion of the Manmad-Parli metre gauge to broad gauge railway line under the Employment Guarantee Scheme of the State; and

(b) if so, by when a decision is likely to be taken in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The decision is expected to be taken shortly.

Jammu-Udhampur rail link

*149. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL KAR: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the date when construction of the Jammu-Udhampur rail link was taken up and by when it was originally stipulated to be completed;

(b) whether it is a fact that there has been inordinate delay in its construction, if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what is the proposed date for the completion of the said link and by when it is likely to be thrown open for traffic?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA):

(a) The construction of the line was approved in 1981-82. Target date